

to Missouri and southward — suggests that it may be found also in the more northern range of the species which extends northward to Massachusetts and southern Ontario.

CAREX SETACEA Dewey, var. **ambigua** (Barratt), n. comb. *C. vulpinoidea*, var. *ambigua* Barratt according to Boott, Ill. iii. 125, t. 406 (1862). *C. xanthocarpa* Bicknell, Bull. Torr. Bot. Club, xxiii. 22 (1896).

This plant was beautifully illustrated by Francis Boott from Connecticut specimens and there can be no question from the plate and notes of the identity of Barratt's *C. vulpinoidea*, var. *ambigua* with Mr. Bicknell's *C. xanthocarpa*. An abundant series of material in the herbarium of Chester Dewey of his own *C. setacea* and of Sartwell's *C. scabrior* shows that while the best *C. setacea* (including *scabrior*) has ordinarily dull brown or drab lanceolate or lance-ovate perigynia tapering gradually to the serrulate beak, many specimens pass very definitely either in color or in the outline of the perigynia to a commoner plant which in its best development has the broad-ovate to orbicular perigynia abruptly short-beaked and often golden-brown in color, the latter character suggesting the name *xanthocarpa*. The transitions between these two extremes are so numerous that it seems to the writer that they are best treated as phases of one plant rather than as distinct species.

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MEETING OF THE JOSSELYN BOTANICAL SOCIETY.

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THE twelfth annual meeting of the Josselyn Botanical Society of Maine, was held on July 3d to 7th inclusive at Rowe Pond Camps, some ten miles distant from Bingham, Maine. Sixteen members and friends were present at the meetings. During the day, excursions were made to the various ponds, bogs and woodlands in the vicinity, the evenings being devoted to the business meetings of the society. Upon Wednesday evening, Mr. John Murdock, Jr., addressed the society upon the subject of forestry.

On the trip to the Camps from Bingham, a short stop was made at Huston Brook Falls, where some of the members explored the limey-slate ledges, finding several interesting plants. Other favorable localities were found along the western shore of Bean Pond, where the dwarf mistletoe was very abundant, and along the stream and "dead-waters" leading from Jewett Pond. The latter place was especially rich in sedges. The following list includes the more important species secured; all localities are in Pleasant Ridge Township, Somerset Co., Maine.

<i>Swartzia montana</i> , Lindb.	<i>Carex oligosperma</i> , Michx.
<i>Splachnum ampullaceum</i> , L.	" <i>pauciflora</i> , Lightf.
<i>Bartramia Oederi</i> , Swartz.	<i>Scirpus occidentalis</i> , Chase.
<i>Hylocomium umbratum</i> , Ehrh.	<i>Corallorhiza multiflora flavida</i> , Peck.
<i>Preissia commutata</i> , Nees.	<i>Habenaria bracteata</i> , R. Br.
<i>Equisetum pratense</i> , Ehrh.	<i>Arceuthobium pusillum</i> , Peck.
<i>Carex canescens subloliacea</i> , Laestad.	<i>Ribes Cynosbati</i> , L.
" <i>Crawfordii</i> , Fernald.	<i>Viola pallens</i> , Banks.
" <i>exilis</i> , Dewey.	" <i>Brainerdii</i> , Greene.
" <i>lenticularis</i> , Michx.	<i>Hippuris vulgaris</i> , L.
" <i>mirabilis tinctoria</i> , Fernald.	<i>Pyrola minor</i> , L.

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